

# WEDDING TIMELINE

Your wedding date: \_\_\_\_\_

## 12 months out

Everyone

- Put together working budget
- Work on shared pin board to create a visual language
- Shop around for Hotel Room Blocks for wedding weekend
- Contact + select Photographer, DJ, Day-of Coordinator, Videographer (if desired), etc.
- Contact caterer options

The Happy Couple

- Visit your location if it is out of town
- Visit with event coordinators

## 11 months out:

Everyone

- Finalize bookings for DJ, Photographer, Day-of Coordinator
- Book hotel blocks

The Happy Couple

- Finalize the guest list and format all addresses in an excel document
- Begin working on wedding website
- Choose final color inspiration
- Shop for Bride's dress

## 10 months:

Everyone

- Book Paper Goods vendor; Choose Save the Date design and paper goods inspiration
- Contact + select Caterer, Baker, Florist, Ceremony musicians

## The Happy Couple

- Continue working on wedding website and registry

## 9 months:

### Everyone

- Assemble + mail Save the Dates (9 months before the wedding)

## The Happy Couple

- Website goes LIVE

## 8 months:

### Everyone

- Book transportation
- Begin thinking about Rehearsal Dinner plans

## The Happy Couple

- Shop for Bride's shoes and accessories
- Collect hair and makeup inspiration photos

## 7 months:

### Everyone

- Schedule hair and makeup trials for December
- Finalize list of rentals from all rental vendors
- Work on timeline with Caterer and Photographer

## The Happy Couple

- Site visits
- Caterer Tasting
- Cake Tasting
- Visits to rental warehouses
- Florist meeting
- Potential vendor visits and meetings for Rehearsal Dinner
- Book caterer

## 6 months:

### Everyone

- Choose bridal party and mother's attire

## The Happy Couple

- Purchase groom's wedding attire

## 5 months:

Everyone

- Finalize invitation wording

The Happy Couple

- Meet with officiant to discuss ceremony details
- Meet with invitation vendor to go over design options
- Attend hair and makeup trials
- Meet with lighting company to discuss lighting possibilities
- Meet with any other vendors to tie up loose ends

## 4 months:

Everyone

- Finalize lighting design
- Finalize invitation design

The Happy Couple

- Order wedding rings

## 3 months:

Everyone

- Finalize floral proposal with vessel, vase, color and floral selection
- Finalize invite design
- Send invitations to print
- Send envelopes to calligrapher
- Develop list of décor items and details to be included in wedding day
- Enter all rental orders
- Work on ceremony procession and recession order
- Work on wording for day-of paper goods (menus, ceremony program, out-of-town guest bags/pamphlets)

The Happy Couple

- Choose music for ceremony
- Approve final invite design

## 9 weeks:

Everyone

- Finalize floor plan

The Happy Couple

- Begin suit or tux fittings if a lot of adjustments need to be done

## 8 weeks:

Everyone

- Mail invitations by March 13
- Finalize wording for day of paper goods; menus, ceremony programs, etc.

## 7 weeks:

Everyone

- Order favors + favor packaging

## 6 weeks:

Everyone

- Finalize list of rentals (chairs, tables, linens, lounge furniture, place settings, etc.)
- Finalize time line with caterer & photographer
- RSVP's are due

The Happy Couple

- Follow up with guests who have not RSVP'd yet
- Continue following up with guests who have not RSVP'd yet

## 5 weeks:

Everyone

- Finalize time line with caterer + photographer
- Finalize escort card/place card design

The Happy Couple

- Finalize guest count by end of week

## 4 weeks:

Everyone

- Send final guest count, time line, etc. to all vendors
- Finalize rentals based on final guest count
- Review, edit and format seating chart for calligrapher

The Happy Couple

- Finalize seating chart by middle of the week
- Pick up wedding bands. Make sure engraving is correct + they fit

## 3 weeks:

Everyone

- Send guest list + seating chart to calligrapher or printer
- Send day-of paper goods out to print

## The Happy Couple

- Last dress + tux fittings
- Get haircut/colored (if desired)

## 2 weeks:

### Everyone

- Receive finished paper goods from printer and calligrapher. Double check to make sure everything is correct.
- Assemble any day-of paper goods (ceremony programs, menus, etc.) if needed

## 1 week:

### Everyone

- Finish assembling favors, welcome bags, etc.

### The Happy Couple

- Pack bags for your wedding day, wedding night and honeymoon

## wedding week:

### Everyone

- Deliver welcome bags to hotels
- Wedding rehearsal
- Rehearsal dinner

### The Happy Couple

- Get nails done, hang out with friends and family, relax and enjoy the week before your wedding!
- Apply for marriage license at County Clerk's office. Applicants must be physically present when the license application is filed. Texas has a mandatory 72 hour waiting period for after you file your application. After the waiting period is up, the marriage license remains valid for 30 days. Be sure to bring photo IDs, cash and check books.

## wedding day: Get Married!